

**Question for written answer E-002562/2023**

**to the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy**

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Subject: SatCen framework agreement with Germany, France, Italy, Luxembourg and Spain

The European Union's satellite centre, SatCen, has been set up to use a variety of data sources. To that end, the High Representative has signed a framework agreement with Germany, France, Italy, Luxembourg and Spain to provide SatCen with imagery from their national satellites. A common hub, based on the German-led PESCO project, will be developed to receive such imagery from various sources.

1. When do the signatory states and SatCen intend to start implementing the framework agreement, and which national agencies will be involved in the consequent work on the hub?
2. What are the civilian or military sources of the data referred to in the framework agreement and, to your knowledge, which satellites of the individual states are to provide the material to SatCen for this purpose?
3. How much is implementing the framework agreement expected to cost and how will this expenditure be shared between the Union, as part of the PESCO project, and the Member States?

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